

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Morena FERRARIO, et al.

Attorney Docket No. Q67309

Appln. No.: Unknown

Group Art Unit: Unknown

Confirmation No.: Unknown

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For: METHOD OF MANAGING AND MONITORING PERFORMANCES IN DIGITAL
RADIO SYSTEMS

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please enter the following amended claims:

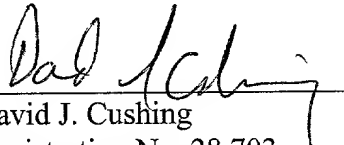
3. (Amended) A method according to claim 1, wherein the step of evaluating the type of source of degrade comprises the step of comparing the first error autocorrelation sample with a threshold value, if the first error autocorrelation sample is greater than the threshold value, it is deducted that the channel is affected by selective fading, otherwise by flat fading.

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REMARKS

Entry and consideration of this Amendment is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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APPENDIX

VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

IN THE CLAIMS:

The claims are amended as follows:

3. ~~(Amended)~~ A method according to ~~claim 1 or 2~~ claim 1, wherein the step of evaluating the type of source of degrade comprises the step of comparing the first error autocorrelation sample with a threshold value, if the first error autocorrelation sample is greater than the threshold value, it is deducted that the channel is affected by selective fading, otherwise by flat fading.